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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN(UIUC)

BFA in Graphic Design: May 2010

SKILLS

Adobe Creative Suite, Adobe
Dreamweaver, Adobe After Effects,
Final Cut Pro, RAW Photography, XHTML
& CSS, web accessibility standards,
Wordpress CMS, Indexhibit CMS

working knowledge:
Javascript, PHP, Drupal

EXPERIENCE

VSA PARTNERS INC. CHICAGO, IL DESIGNER, JUNE 2010 - PRESENT

Worked on various small teams for projects consisting of print, digital and packaging design for multiple clients. Actively participated in projects from concept to production and maintained interaction with clients.

UIUC OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS CHAMPAIGN, IL DESIGNER, SEPT 2008 - MAY 2010

Worked with a team of designers, editors and programmers to establish a cohesive branding for the university. Took part in creation of print, web and video collateral from ideation to production, as well as contributed in communicating and working with various printers.

NINTH LETTER CHAMPAIGN, IL DESIGNER, SPRING 2009/2010

Ninth Letter is an award-winning literary and arts journal produced bi-annually through a collaboration between the Department of English and the School of Art & Design.

Responsible for custom typefaces, coherent printed supplements and directing photo shoots. Ideated and worked within small groups, ensured quality of printed material at press by establishing a relationship with the printer and provided designs for journal covers.

SCHOOL OF ART & DESIGN CHAMPAIGN, IL FREELANCE DESIGNER, SPRING 2010

One of two students selected to replace the traditional catalogue for the School's BFA Graduate Exhibition. Responsible for establishing and designing an object that both represents the exhibition's participants and promotes the arts at the School of Art + Design. Designed and programmed an online catalogue for all participants.

AWARDS + ACTIVITIES

GRAPHIC DESIGN STUDENTS AT ILLINOIS FALL 2009 - SUMMER 2010

Board member of student organization established to bring together student designers and create a design identity in Champaign-Urbana.

RED DOT AWARD SPRING 2009

Ninth Letter, Vol. 6, No. 1 in Communication Design 2009.

COMMITTEE CHAIR FOR "RENDEZVOUS" DESIGN EXHIBITION SPRING 2010

Selected within a small team to represent and oversee all promotional material created for the Rendezvous Exhibition.

AIGA ENRICHMENT SCHOLARSHIP SPRING 2010

Honorable Mention

OUTSTANDING SENIOR AWARD FALL 2009 - SPRING 2010

University of Illinois - Graphic Design

GRAPHIS DESIGN GOLD AWARD FALL 2010

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